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Associated Students
The University of Montana

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. DAC Student Achievement Award
- b. Neighborhood Council - 7 p.m. Paxson Elementary School
- c. Planning Board - Comments on the Occupancy Standard 3/19 & 3/26
- d. International Food Festival
- e. Stand up for Education
- f. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Appointments
- b. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

STIP - \$119,958.55

Travel Special Allocation - \$0

Zero-based Carryover - \$116,775.52

Special Allocation - \$3,925.43

- a. SB6-01/02 Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy
- b. STIP - Dance Club \$7,783.47
- c. Special Allocation - Prayer Breakfast \$917.50
- d. SB47-01/02 Resolution to change Fiscal Policy
- e. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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<http://www.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm>

- a. SB38-01/02 Resolution Regarding Dornblaser Parking Lot Paving
- b. SB42-01/02 Resolution to Create a Graduation Fee
- c. SB43-01/02 Resolution to Revise the Writing Proficiency Assessment
- d. SB44-01/02 Resolution in Support of Recycling Oversight Committee
- e. SB45-01/02 Resolution Regarding Math 117 Class Sizes
- f. SB46-01/02 Resolution to Establish Student Group Bill of Rights

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

SENATE MEMBERSROLL
CALL

Comments

NICK ALDINGER
BRAD CATON
JOSH DAVIS
KIRSTEN ELLINGSON
CASEY FISHER
HENRY GRIFFITH
KEAGAN HARSHA
MATT JENNINGS
BROCK LOWRANCE
HARLEY LYSONS
BERV NAASZ
STACIE PHILLIPS
AUSTIN REES
ALEX ROSENLEAF
CHRISTY SCHILKE
STEPHEN STICKA
ALI TABIBNEJAD
CHRISTOPHER WEBB
ADAM WEINACKER
CHRIS WILCOX

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ASUM OFFICERS

CHRISTOPHER PETERSON
President
HEATHER O'LOUGHLIN
Vice-President
JON SWAN
Business Manager

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FACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR AUSLAND
PROFESSOR ANDERSON

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Chair O'Loughlin called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Present: Peterson, O'Loughlin, Swan, Caton, Ellingson, Harsha (6:18), Jennings, Lowrance, Lysons, Naasz (6:15), Phillips, Rees, Rosenleaf, Schilke, Sticka, Tabibnejad, Weinacker and Wilcox. Excused were Aldinger, Davis and Fisher. Unexcused were Griffith and Webb.

There were no minutes to be approved.

Public Comment

*MontPIRG's Annie Kaylor and Lindsey Aull encouraged Senators to vote for SB44 which supports a recycling oversight committee.

*Dustin Hankinson asked for permission to circulate his petition for signatures so that he may run for office in the ASUM General Election.

President's Report

- a. The deadline for Diversity Advisory Student Achievement Award nominations is April 5. Procedures are noted on the handout.
- b. The Neighborhood Council meeting is at 7 tomorrow evening at Paxson School.
- c. Peterson thanked those who attended the leadership Team meeting.
- d. Comment periods on the Occupancy Standard proposal are April 19 and 26 at 7:30 at City Hall in the City Council Chambers. A person may only speak at one of the sessions.
- e. The International Food Festival will be held on April 7. Volunteers are needed. You may e-mail at: mgmcellolove@hotmail.com
- f. Stand Up for Education will be held on April 24 by a coalition of teachers' unions and others involved in or supportive of education.
The Chair recognized the presence of Naaz.
- f. Board on Membership will meet at 9 a.m. March 25 in the Alumni Board Room.

Vice President's Report

- a. A motion by O'Loughlin-Caton to approve the following committee appointments passed: Elections - Tricia Patten; UC Board - Josh Davis, Dustin Hankinson.

Business Manager's Report

STIP - \$119,958.55
Zero-Based Carryover - \$116,775.52
Travel Spec. Allocation - \$0
Special Allocation - \$3,925.43

- a. SB6-01/02 Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy - in committee.
- b. Dance Club STIP request for \$7,783.47 in equipment was amended to \$8,374.17 on a motion by Sticka-Tabibnejad. Peterson-Rosenleaf moved to postpone the request until March 27. After a previous question call by Swan, the motion to postpone passed.
- c. Prayer Breakfast Special Allocation request for \$917.50 passed.
- d. SB47-01/02 Resolution to change Fiscal Policy was moved by Peterson-Rosenleaf. A friendly amendment by Peterson to change #2 to read "The ASUM will expedite student groups' requests to the best of their ability" was accepted. Tabibnejad's friendly amendment to replace "still has to" with "shall have" in #3 was accepted. Rosenleaf's friendly amendment to change "is" to "are" in the first line and delete "without judgment" in the second line of #1 were accepted. Naaz-Caton moved to postpone SB47 until April 3. A previous question call by Lowrance passed, and the motion failed. A friendly amendment by Lowrance to insert "current" before "membership" in #3 was not accepted. A friendly amendment by Peterson to insert "active" before membership in #3 was accepted. Rees-Naaz moved to postpone SB47 until April 3. A previous question call by Lysons failed. After a previous question call by Rosenleaf, the motion to postpone passed.
- e. The new computers arrived and are being set up.
- f. The recommendation by the committee considering the issue of outside checking accounts has been postponed so legal issues could be researched further.

Committee Reports

- a. ASUM Relations and Affairs (Ellingson) - Did not meet.
- b. Board on Membership (Lysons) - Did not meet.
- c. Elections (O'Loughlin for Aldinger) - A mandatory meeting was held today. Petitions are due by Friday. Forty-seven Senate petitions have been picked up.
- d. SPA (Wilcox for Aldinger) - Senators were encouraged to attend an occupancy standard forum March 19 or 26 and the Neighborhood Council meeting tomorrow night.
- e. UC Board (Rosenleaf) - Did not meet.
- f. University Affairs (Phillips for Griffith) - SB38, 42, 44 and 45 received "do pass" recommendations. SB43 received a "do not pass" recommendation.
- g. COT (Phillips) - Did not meet.
- h. Transportation (Schilke) - There will be a speaker from Boulder, Colo., in the Board Room of the UC this Friday at 1:15. The committee met with President Dennison. \$100,000 was committed for the Dornblaser lot paving, which is half of what is needed from the administration. They have agreed to grade and repair the lot for now. The new bus will be back on Friday.

Unfinished Business

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- a. SB38-01/02 Resolution Regarding Dornblaser Parking Lot Paving (Exhibit A) was moved by **Tabibnejad-Harsha**. After a previous question call by **Harsha** the resolution passed.
- b. SB42-01/02 Resolution to Create a Graduation Fee (Exhibit B) was moved by **Tabibnejad-Lysons**. A friendly amendment offered by **Peterson** and modified by **Tabibnejad** and **Rosenleaf** to add "The assessment of the fee will not be contingent on the student's graduation" at the end of the ballot statement was accepted. **Tabibnejad** asked that "4" in the third line be changed to "four". A friendly amendment by **Harsha** asking that a line be added in the resolution stating that the fee was not subject to an increase without student approval was not accepted. Four previous question calls by **Sticka** failed. A previous question call by **Rees** passed, and the resolution failed.
- e. SB43-01/02 Resolution to Revise the Writing Proficiency Assessment was moved by **Lysons-Harsha**. A friendly amendment by **Rees** to correct some "university" capitalization was accepted. A motion by **Naaz-Harsha** to postpone the resolution until March 27 passed after a previous question call by **Caton**.
- f. SB44-01/02 Resolution in Support of Recycling Oversight Committee (Exhibit C) passed on a motion by **Rosenleaf-Tabibnejad** after a previous question call by **Rees**.
- g. SB45-01/02 Resolution Regarding Math 117 Class Sizes (Exhibit D). **Lyson's** friendly amendment to remove "karmic" from the second line of the fifth paragraph was accepted. The resolution passed on a motion by **Rosenleaf-Swan** after a previous question call by **Harsha**.
- h. SB46-01/02 Resolution to Establish Student Group Bill of Rights was withdrawn.

New Business

- a. Resolution on student group forum
- b. Resolution on writing proficiency assessment
- c. Resolution to amend Bylaws
- d. Resolution for UM to sign Talloires Declaration
- e. Resolution on student pay
- f. Resolution for off-campus housing coordinator
- g. Resolution on general education requirements

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

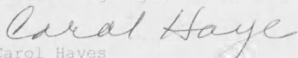

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

Exhibit A

SB38-01/02

Resolution Regarding Dornblazer^S Parking Lot Paving

● **Whereas** the Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Montana agreed to increase the parking fee last year,

Whereas the Senate was led to believe that this increase would place the paving of a Dornblazer^S parking lot as a high priority in the University schedule of work,

Whereas the ASUM Office of Transportation Park-and-Ride serves an average of 225 students every day and saved 40,707 miles of vehicle travel during fall semester,

Whereas during fall semester the Park-and-Ride saved 1351 pounds of Carbon monoxide, 188 pounds of hydrocarbons, and 186 pounds of nitro oxides from being released into the air of the Missoula Valley,

Whereas the University has the potential opportunity to expand the Park-and-Ride -- along with the Downtown Parking Commission and Mountain Line -- add 6 hours of Trolley service daily, and pave a Dornblazer lot using a CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation Air Quality) grant if they furnish a \$200,000 match for the project;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana urge the University of Montana Administration, along with the Office of Public Safety, to agree to fund the \$200,000 CMAQ match and to pave the Dornblazer^S lot within 3 years.

Authored by: Alex M. Rosenleaf, ASUM Senator

Passed
3-13-02

Exhibit B

Referendum to Create a Graduation Fee

Whereas, a fee of \$25.00 is required to file an application for graduation.

Whereas, a \$3.50 fee, enforced on every students bill, would create enough funding to pay for the graduation of all seniors.

Whereas, paying \$3.50 every year ^{four} for 4 years, (\$14.00 total), would be less of an expense than one payment of \$25.00.

Whereas, a graduation fee of \$1.75, (in autumn and spring semester), or \$3.50 a year would help defer the cost of the fees associated with the graduation process.

Therefore let it be resolved, ASUM place on the spring election ballot a referendum to create a graduation fee, reducing the amount of money students have to pay to graduate from the University of Montana.

(The ballot will read as follows :)

Currently, UM Students pay a fee of \$25.00 when they register for graduation. This referendum will create a graduation fee of \$3.50 per year (\$1.75 per semester) to replace that \$25.00 fee. Over the course of 4 years, the total cost to the student will be \$14.00 ($\$3.50 \times 4 \text{ yrs} = \14.00). *The assessment of the fee will not be contingent on the students graduation.*

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Yes, I do support the creation of a graduation fee, and I understand that my spring and autumn semester bills will include a \$1.75 fee.

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No, I do not support the creation of a graduation fee.

Referendum Authored By:
Berv Naasz
Alex M. Rosenleaf

Failed
3-13-02

Exhibit C
SB 44-01/02

Resolution in Support of Recycling Oversight Committee

Whereas The 1991 Montana Legislature enacted House Bill 160 that established a 25% waste reduction target for the State and its agencies,

Whereas the students of The University of Montana pay a two-dollar recycling fee per semester without any control over its use,

Whereas the creation of a committee, in charge of: 1) Overseeing the activities of Facilities Services recycling operations; 2) Promoting educational events and developing new initiatives and research projects related to waste reduction and recycling, was proposed several years ago,

Whereas this committee was never created,

Whereas the Recycling Coordinator Tom Morris supports the creation of such committee,

Whereas ^{current} ~~the proposal~~ ^{for the creation of the committee does not} allow for adequate student voice,

Therefore let it be resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana support the creation of The University of Montana Recycling Oversight Committee,

Let it be further resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana support the addition of a third student vote to the proposed committee,

Let it be finally resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana encourage the committee to incorporate the 25% waste reduction goal of Montana State House Bill 160 into its charge.

Authorized by Cody Brown, MontPIRG Recycling Intern
Josh Burnim, Representative, Waste NOT! (Environmental Studies)
Ali Tabibnejad, ASUM Senator

Passed
3-13-02

Exhibit D
SB45-01/02

Resolution Regarding Math117 Class Sizes

Whereas math is a discipline which necessitates an environment where students can participate in active dialogue with their professor in order to be taught effectively,

Whereas since the spring of 2001 Math117 classes have commonly held two to three hundred students,

Whereas the standards used for assessing student performance have been substantially lowered in order to compensate for the decreased quality of education received in Math117,

Whereas Math117 is a class which affects many students in a variety of majors,

Whereas if this cycle of shortchanging students continues, The University of Montana will be falling short of its inherent intention and ~~have~~ ^{have} responsibility to ensure students receive a quality, well-rounded education,

Therefore let be resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana strongly urge the provost's office to implement a policy waiving the standard one-hundred dollar fee for students wishing to retake Math117 until the class sizes return to their original size of thirty-five students,

Let it be further resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana strongly urge the Math Department to increase the standards for assessing student performance in Math117.

Authored By C. Austin Rees, ASUM Senator and Ali Reza Tabibnejad, ASUM Senator

Passed
3-13-02